



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 02100.0082.00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Timothy M. JOHNS et al.)
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Application Serial No.: 10/781,629) Group Art Unit: 3611
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Filed: February 20, 2004) Examiner: Yeagley, Daniel S.
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For: LIFTING SYSTEMS AND) Confirmation No.: 4131
METHODS FOR USE WITH A)
HITCH MECHANISM)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2007, the period for response having been extended to September 21, 2007, by a request for extension of three months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Reply.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.